

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN,
SAMEEH HAMMOUDEH,
GHASSAN ZAYED BALLUT,
HATIM NAJI FARIZ

Case No. 8:03-cr-77-T-30TBM

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MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA, FLORIDA

**UNITED STATES' MOTION
TO EXCEED THE PAGE LIMIT**

The United States files this motion for permission to file a response in excess of twenty pages pursuant to Middle District of Florida Local Rule 3.01(c) and, in support, states as follows:

1. After seeking permission from the court (D-195, granted --08/04/03), Defendant Ballut filed a Motion to Dismiss or Strike Counts One through Four, Nineteen, Thirty-Six through Thirty-Eight, and Forty through Forty-Two (D-200) which is 33 pages in length. Ballut's Motion to Dismiss was adopted by co-defendants Fariz (D-257, granted --09/10/03) and Hammoudeh (D-314, granted --10/20/03).
2. Approximately one month later, Defendant Fariz filed a Motion to Dismiss Count Forty-Four of the Indictment (D-250).
3. To adequately address the complex issues raised by the defendants in their pleadings, and in the interest of judicial economy, the United States has prepared the following documents:

This motion/petition/stipulation has been duly
considered and is hereby granted
this 28 day of Oct., 2003.


JAMES S. MOODY, JR.
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

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a. Consolidated Response to Defendant Ballut's Motion to Dismiss or Strike Counts One through Four, Nineteen, Thirty-Six through Thirty-Eight, and Forty through Forty-two and Defendant Fariz's Motion to Dismiss Count Forty-Four of the Indictment, which is thirty-six pages long (without attachments).

b. Government's Memorandum of Law in Opposition to Defendant Sami Al-Arian's Motion to Dismiss Counts One Through Four of the Indictment, which is thirty-seven pages long.

c. United States' Memorandum in Opposition to Defendant's Hatim Naji Fariz's Motion to Dismiss Counts Three and Four of the Indictment, which is twenty-nine pages long.

4. Local Rule 3.01(c) provides that no party shall file any brief or legal memorandum longer than twenty pages without prior permission from the district court.

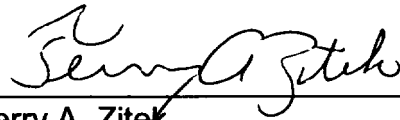
Therefore, pursuant to this rule, the United States seeks permission from the

district court to exceed the page limitation with respect to the above-described responses.

Respectfully submitted,

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